

ABSOLUTE RATING: Good
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Good

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 36. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to excellent. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Good	Good
2002		
2003		
2004		

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	57.6	69.7	66.0	58.3	62.4	62.6
• Passed 2 subtests	22.9	14.8	16.3	20.7	18.8	19.0
• Passed 1 subtest	11.8	5.7	9.2	12.9	12.1	11.2
• Passed no subtests	7.6	9.8	8.5	8.1	6.7	7.2

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships	19.3%	15.0%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	19.3%	15.9%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	26.9%	42.7%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Seniors			
Student Group	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
All students	92.0%	19.3%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	77.8%	0.0%	
Students without disabilities	94.1%	20.7%	
Gender			
Male	93.2%	17.6%	
Female	91.0%	20.6%	
Ethnic Group			
African American	84.6%	3.3%	
Hispanic	100.0%	100.0%	
White	98.6%	35.1%	
Other	N/A	N/A	
Lunch Status			
Free/reduced-price lunch	91.2%	2.3%	
Pay for lunch	92.5%	28.9%	

STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	69.0%
Completers placed	100.0%
Eligible students enrolled	44.5%

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,102	N/A	\$5,718	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	80.4%	Down from 84.6%	89.5%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	22.5 to 1	N/A	24.0 to 1	25.1 to 1
STUDENTS (n=587)				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	23.5%	N/A	31.9%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	89.9%	Down from 94.7%	95.0%	95.3%
• Retention rate	5.4%	Up from 4.3%	10.9%	10.0%
TEACHERS (n=43)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	7.8 Days	Down from 8.5	7.7 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	91.9%	Up from 91.7%	95.6%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	34.9%	Down from 41.5%	45.4%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	83.7%	No change	81.4%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0.0%	No change	3.4%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	88.6%	Up from 87.8%	84.5%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$35,921	Up 2.7%	\$37,205	\$38,125

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dropout rate	4.0%	Up from 1.4%	3.6%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	59.9%	N/A	56.1%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	1.0	N/A	4.0	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	38.8%	N/A	61.0%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Excellent	Excellent
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	9.2%	Down from 10.9%	10.7%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	68	N/A	27	29
• Gifted and talented	0.0%	N/A	6.8%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	10.5%	Up from 9.2%	12.1%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	17.4%	N/A	6.7%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	261	N/A	411	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	30.8%	N/A	28.7%	23.1%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a great year at Abbeville High School. We are very proud of our accomplishments in the areas of academics, the arts, and athletics. The students engaged in a number of service activities. Among our accomplishments are the following:

- *The average SAT score increased 25 points from 934 to 959 in 2000.
- *Girls' and boys' cross-country teams were added to the athletic program this year.
- *The Interact Club provided Christmas gifts for needy children in our community.
- *The percentage of students passing the EXIT Exam on the first attempt increased 12.1% from 57.6% to 69.7% in 2000.
- *The percentage of students passing the math portion of the Exit Exam on the first attempt increased 11% from 66.8% to 77.9% in 2000 and increased 6.5% from 77.9% to 84.4% in 2001.
- *A Jazz Band was added this year to AHS. They received an Excellent Rating at the Westside High School Jazz Festival.
- *AHS football team won the Upper-State AA Championship.
- *AHS basketball team competed in the Upper-State AA Championship game.
- *JTPA was available to the upperclassmen on a weekly basis.

In the spring of 2001 the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools evaluated Abbeville High School. The purpose of the evaluation was to improve the educational opportunities for all students. The entire process was beneficial to our staff, students, and the entire community. Based on preliminary information, Abbeville High will be SACS accredited in fall 2001. We are looking forward to continued success and a terrific school year.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	80.0	37.5	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	63.3	52.8	
Satisfied with home-school relations	66.7	65.7	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades 9-12 High School

Enrollment: 587 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Good



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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